UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA Criminal No. 23-cr-205 (KMM/LIB)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Plaintiff,))
v.) GOVERNMENT'S MOTION FOR UPWARD DEPARTURE AND
MARK ALLEN ISHAM) VARIANCE
Defendant.)

The United States of America, by its undersigned attorneys, respectfully moves this Court for an upward departure under the following provisions: (1) U.S.S.G. § 4A1.3(a)(1) (criminal history category substantially underrepresents the likelihood that the defendant will commit other crimes); (2) U.S.S.G. § 5K2.8 (extreme conduct); (3) U.S.S.G. § 5K2.4 (abduction or unlawful restraint); and (4) U.S.S.G. § 5K2.21 (dismissed and uncharged conduct).

Furthermore, the United States seeks an upward variance under the § 3553(a) factors, based on the need for the sentence to reflect the seriousness of the offense, to promote respect for the law, to provide just punishment for the offense, and to protect the public from further crimes of the defendant. The government will seeking the statutory maximum sentence of 120 months.

Dated: October 18, 2024 Respectfully Submitted,

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